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# Early Learning Technical Work Group

## SB 6759

Membership  
Timeline  
Required Components  
Path to the Final Product

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# Membership & Reporting

Working group must contain members from:

- Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction, Department of Early Learning, Thrive by Five Washington and the Office of Attorney General
- Two members of the Early Learning Advisory Council
- Other stakeholders can be appointed by Early Learning Advisory Council

Work group can convene advisory subgroups on specific topics.

Work group is monitored and overseen by the Quality Education Council.



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# Timeline

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| April 1, 2010:     | OSPI & DEL begin work to convene work group                                                                                                   |
| May 21, 2010:      | ELAC appoints members to work group                                                                                                           |
| June 15, 2010:     | First meeting                                                                                                                                 |
| July 1, 2011:      | Progress report due to Early Learning Advisory Council and Quality Education Council                                                          |
| Nov. 1, 2011:      | Final report with plan due to Quality Education Council and Early Learning Advisory Council                                                   |
| Nov. – Dec., 2011: | Early Learning Advisory Council develops and submits feedback to Quality Education Council                                                    |
| January 1, 2012:   | Quality Education Council submits report to Legislature, detailing its recommendation for a comprehensive voluntary program of early learning |



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## The final SB 6759 plan must include:

Work group must develop a plan that examine opportunities and barriers to at least TWO options:

- Under the program of basic education; and
- As an entitlement executed by statute or constitutional amendment.



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## Required components to the final plan:

- Criteria for eligible children
- Program standards (number of hours per school year, teacher qualifications, and transportation requirements)
- Performance measures
- Criteria for eligible providers, including specific recommendations on licensed and/or certified by DEL, and public, private, nonsectarian and sectarian organizations



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## Required components to the final plan:

- Governance responsibilities for OSPI and DEL
- Funding required (Early learning teachers, professional development, facilities and technical assistance)
- Timeline for implementation
- ECEAP's role in the new program



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## Funding for study:

Funding for FY 2011 (July 1, 2010 –June 30, 2011):

1.3 FTE

\$234,221

Additional funding for FY 2012 would have to be  
allocated in the 2011 Legislative Session



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## DRAFT WORK PLAN

### JUNE

Confirm membership

1<sup>st</sup> meeting:

- ✓ ECEAP
- ✓ Attorney General Opinion

Begin recruitment for program supervisor

### JULY

Hire program supervisor

2<sup>nd</sup> meeting:

- ✓ Head Start
- ✓ Discuss advisory groups
- ✓ Adopt Action Plan

### AUGUST

No meeting.

DEL conducts research on Pre-K models

Outreach for advisory groups

### SEPTEMBER

3<sup>rd</sup> meeting:

- ✓ Finalize scope of analysis for plans
- ✓ Review Action Plan
- ✓ Pre-K models across the country

Co-chairs update QEC and ELAC

### OCTOBER

Convene Advisory groups

Advisory group chairs create work plan with timeline





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## DRAFT WORK PLAN

### NOVEMBER

4<sup>th</sup> meeting:

- ✓ Review Action Plan
- ✓ Advisory group reports
- ✓ Discuss decisions
- ✓ Review & finalize update to ELAC and QEC

### DECEMBER

No meeting

Co-Chairs update ELAC on Dec.13 and QEC on Dec. 13-15

### JANUARY

No meeting 2011

Legislative Session

Advisory groups submit final recommendations.

DEL & OSPI drafts progress report.

### FEBRUARY

5<sup>th</sup> meeting:

- ✓ Review progress report
- ✓ Advisory group recommendations
- ✓ Final scope of work for plan

### MARCH

No meeting

Contractor hired for additional analysis and/or writing



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## DRAFT WORK PLAN

### APRIL

No meeting

DEL & OSPI  
begin  
drafting  
final report

### MAY

6<sup>th</sup> meeting:

✓ Review &  
finalize  
progress  
report  
✓ Final  
decisions on  
key  
elements of  
final report

DEL & OSPI  
continue  
drafting  
final report

### JUNE

No meeting

DEL & OSPI  
continue  
drafting  
final report

### JULY

Progress  
Report  
submitted  
to ELAC and  
QEC

Final  
meeting:  
✓ Review  
and finalize  
report.  
✓ Celebrate

### AUGUST SEPTEMBER OCTOBER

DEL & OSPI  
finalize final  
report and  
plan

Final report  
submitted  
to ELAC and  
QEC on Nov.  
1. and Dec.  
ELAC/QEC  
meetings



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# Discussion